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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6134

BILL NUMBER: SB 81

DATE PREPARED: Oct 27, 2001

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill repeals the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law and replaces it with the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act, providing clearer standards regarding interstate child custody modification jurisdiction. This bill also establishes a process to enforce interstate child custody and visitation determinations with uniformity and harmonizes the law with respect to simultaneous proceedings and inconvenient forums.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The fiscal impacts of this bill are not quantifiable at this time. This legislation requires the state to implement a process to enforce interstate child custody and visitation determinations. It is assumed that current staff would be able to implement this new process without additional fiscal impact. In addition, this bill provides guidelines for determining the venue for interstate child custody and visitation determinations. It is unclear whether this will increase or decrease the current state child custody caseload and associated procedural costs.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: County Trial Courts

Information Sources: